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News you can use

Atlanta Hawks tickets on sale today at ITT

Get them while they last. Information, Tickets and Travel, Building 767, will sell tickets today for the Atlanta Hawks versus Cleveland Cavaliers basketball game at Philips Arena in Atlanta Tuesday for \$30 on a first-come, first-served basis.

— From staff reports

Section of Perimeter Rd. closed this weekend

By direction of the 78th Air Base Wing Commander, Col. Greg Patterson, the section of Perimeter Road directly next to the Air National Guard's west ramp will be closed to the general base population today through Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The road closure does not apply to emergency response vehicles.

— From staff reports

Officials stress troop support mail policy

Department of Defense officials announced the continued suspension of the "Any Servicemember" mail program Tuesday.

The general public is urged not to send unsolicited mail, care packages or donations to servicemembers during the holiday season. During this time of year, the number of donation programs increases and causes mail from families and friends to be mixed with mail from unknown sources resulting in delivery delays.

Americans who don't have loved ones deployed overseas can still show support during the holidays by other means.

A list of programs is available at www.defendamerica.mil.

— Air Force Print News



Combined Federal Campaign
2004 Week 4 Statistics

Robins
Base Goal \$1.275 million
Current percentage 84%

5 CCG
Unit Goal \$45,883
Current percentage 33%

19 ARG
Unit Goal \$33,877
Current percentage 27%

78 ABW
Unit Goal \$142,121
Current percentage 90%

116 ACW
Unit Goal \$125,243
Current percentage 23%

AFRC
Unit Goal \$84,964
Current percentage 80%

ALC
Unit Goal \$825,177
Current percentage 97%

(Statistics current as of Nov. 2)

Robins 3-day forecast
Today Partly cloudy and breezy
Saturday Partly cloudy
Sunday Partly cloudy
70/48 65/38 68/42
Courtesy of 78th OSS/OSW

Team's visit focuses on security

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A Defense Department site survey team visited Robins last week to determine what the base needs to defend itself against chemical, biological or nuclear threats.

The Joint Program Manager Guardian team, consisting of 13 people, surveyed the base to get a feel for how Robins operates, and how the billion dollar Installation Protection Program, or IPP, can improve base capabilities. The program's goal is to

enhance force protection at 200 installations worldwide — including Robins — over the next five years.

The desired outcome of the visit was to integrate chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear protection and consequence management capabilities

ties into the base's defense policy.

During the initial briefing, Shannon Plummer, Joint Program Manager Guardian installation project manager, told the group of leaders from across the base that the survey wasn't about grading the base.

"It's very important that you know we are not here to evaluate or assess how you do business," she said. "We don't have a report card or score card. We're simply here to listen, learn and document how

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Revamping Robins



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp
Brandon Adams, Riteway Drywall of Warner Robins, cuts metal frame studs for the visitors' center construction project. Crews are about 50 percent complete on efforts to construct the base entrance, visitors' center and guard house.

Crews make progress on main gate, Building 301 parking lot construction

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of stories updating construction projects on base.

By Holly L. Birchfield
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Robins is staying busy, as initial work begins on a host of military construction projects to improve the base.

The projects, including a \$4.9 million base entrance and visitors' center and a new parking lot near Building 301, are among the base's construction efforts slated for completion during the next two years.

While rain from last month's hurricanes slowed construction of the new main gate and visitor's center, workers said they expect the project to be completed by August.

"After we dug our excavations for the base visitors' center, about 7 inches of rain came in one night," said Julian Fant, project engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. "We had to pump it out and dry it up as quickly as we could so we could get back to work. Bad weather set our crews back about 30 days."

The new entrance design will give inbound traffic from Watson Boulevard a

straight path on base, taking the burden of heavy traffic off Ga. Highway 247. Three lanes of traffic will come straight on base and go south on Page Road.

Traffic will enter through the new main gate and the visitor's center will be in front of Building 255.

"The biggest thing with this project is it meets all the new force protection requirements and things will move a lot more smoothly," said Gerald Talley, a project manager on the construction.

Robins' perimeter fence will be relocated between Perry Street and the new

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Maintenance Directorate strives to attain goals

By Lanorris Askew
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The Maintenance Directorate here is on a mission to better support its people, improve production and implement new programs and processes while helping the Center achieve its overall objectives.

Recent accomplishments are an indication of things to come, according to directorate leaders.

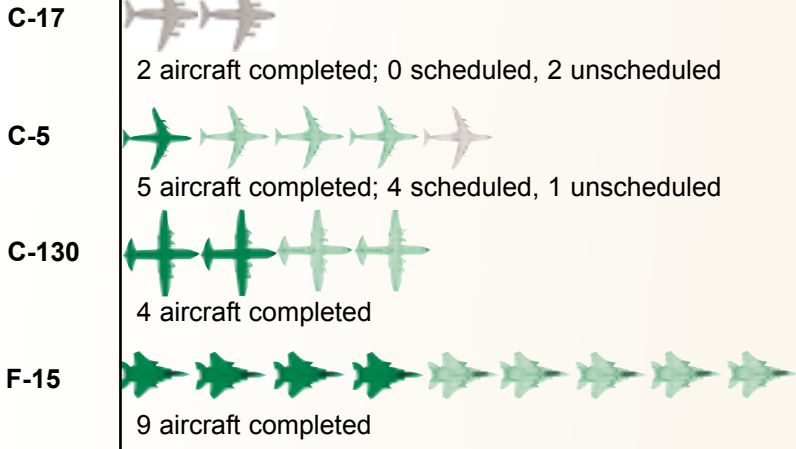
Highlights like the C-5 Production Branch complet-

ing repairs to a C-5's torque deck in 12 days as opposed to 49 at other facilities; adding new lifts in the conformal fuel tank shop made working on the tanks faster, safer and more comfortable for the work force; and the C-5 floorboard shop of the Commodities and Industrial Products Division saving the Air Force \$5.5 million by leaning their process are impressive, but MA is still looking for ways to excel,




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Aircraft Maintenance Output

Fiscal 2005 year-to-date production



AIRCRAFT COMPLETED SINCE OCTOBER
U.S. Air Force graphic by Staff Sgt. Brian Bahret

Fiscal 2005 *Aircraft completion goals			
C-17s	C-5s	C-130s	F-15s
9	19	57	109
*Goal is for scheduled main- tenance only			
Unscheduled aircraft do not count towards FY goals			
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	Unscheduled		
*each icon represents one aircraft			

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gate house. As part of the project, Perry Street will close in the next few months and remain closed for six weeks until construction has been completed.

Crews are about 50 percent complete on efforts to construct the base entrance and visitors’ center and guard house, according to Chip Bridges, civil engineer with the 778th Civil Engineering Squadron.

Hopes of finding a parking space are becoming brighter as construction of a new lot northeast of Building 301 heads toward completion.

Work on the 300-space lot designed and constructed by the 78th Civil Engineering Squadron began mid-June and is expected to help alleviate area parking problems by mid-December.

James Martin, chief of maintenance for the 78th CES, said the \$700,000 project is a long-awaited solution to an ongoing problem.

“There has always been a lack of parking around buildings 300 and 301, and a new workload that came to Robins from Kelly Air Force Base, Texas, a few years ago just compounded the problem,” he said. “This new parking lot should be able to help accommodate the large population of people working in Building 301.”

Tech. Sgt. Robert Wreden, noncommissioned officer in charge for the Heavy Equipment Section of the 78th CES, said while no additional crosswalks will be added in the area, sidewalks are being created to encourage pedestrian use of existing ones.

“Primarily, we’re going to direct all sidewalks to the crosswalks,” he said. “We’re going to have a sidewalk that runs continuously all the way around the parking lot and we plan to remove sidewalks that don’t lead to crosswalks.”

The parking lot project is included in a \$12.5 million construction effort to create additional parking lots and improve existing roads and streets on base.



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Gerald Talley, project manager and superintendent for Dixon Carothers, right, along with other employees work on the foundations for the front gate inspection stations. The new entrance design will give in-bound traffic from Watson Boulevard a straight path on base.

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Article 32 hearing’s investigating officer, Col. Brent Evans, of the Air Force Reserve Command, submits a written report to 78th Air Base Wing Commander Col. Greg Patterson, the special court-martial convening authority. The commander will then determine the disposition of the case, which could include recommending a general court-martial.

According to Col. Jeff Robb, Center staff judge advocate, the next step is for the investigating officer to prepare and submit the report satisfying the requirements of Article

Court-martial

The maximum punishment for a **summary court-martial** is 30 days in jail.

The maximum punishment for a **special court-martial** is one year in jail and a bad conduct discharge.

The punishment for a **general court-martial** is limited only by the severity of the offenses. In cases of this nature, the maximum punishment would be life imprisonment and a dishonorable discharge.

32 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

“Colonel Patterson will review the report and choose one of four options,” he said.

“He can dismiss the charges, refer the charges to a summary court-martial, refer the charges to a special court-martial, or he can send them forward to the Center commander who has the authority to convene a general court-martial.”

Once the convening authority decides how a case should go forward he appoints the members of the court. Court members are selected based on age, rank, experience, maturity and judicial temperament.

“A general court-martial must consist of at least five members,” said Colonel Strickland. “In general they are officers, but an enlisted person can request that at least one-third be enlisted. The

enlisted members will be of equal or greater rank.”

In any kind of court-martial a field grade officer serves as the president of the court.

Although the defense has no input on the original selection of the court members, both they and the government can challenge members before the trial begins.

“They will be able to question members of the panel to reveal any reason they should not sit on the court,” said Colonel Strickland. “If there is a challenge, the judge decides if that person should remain on the court.”

Court-martial judges are full-time judge advocates with no ties to the case or base where it’s being tried.

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you do business.”

Ms. Plummer explained the program further, and said there were several phases to the program’s implementation.

“Currently we are in phase one which is the site survey phase,” she said. “We’ve gone through a pre-site survey and gotten some very good information.”

Following the survey, the team will take information they gathered and hold a design workshop to help the design team understand what Robins needs to better protect itself against attack. The design team will then provide a preliminary design that includes any equipment that may be needed.

After the site survey comes phase 2, the design and analysis phase. That phase will last four to five months. The design team will conduct a technical site visit and prepare for preconstruction activities.

Phase three begins fielding and exercises.

“During this phase, Guardian will come out and put the shovel to the dirt and get some things in place,” she said. “The three points during this phase are mobilization, construction and equipment installation. Once equipment is installed we move into test and acceptance.”

She explained that the validation and verification tests will be performed by the Guardian team and witnessed by the installation. The next phase, training and exercise, is part of phase 3 fielding and exercise. At that time, operators and

responders are trained on the equipment. The final phase is sustainment. During that phase, Guardian will maintain the components for 12 months, while coordinating the transfer of responsibilities to the base.

Col. Bruce Curry, 78th Air Base Wing, vice commander, explained the importance of the project to those at the in-brief.

“The number of folks here and the units and offices that are represented are a real reflection of the impact of the kind of project we have and how it cuts across the entire base,” he said. “This is going to have an impact on this base to protect it for decades, and we can really take a step up if we do this right. I’m looking for all of you to help. Operate smartly, elevate concerns and work with the team.”

GOALS

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according to Col. Larry Ericksen, MA deputy director.

“What we really want to do in MA is hone in on the vision of ‘People First - Mission Always,’ that Maj. Gen. (Mike) Collings, (Center commander) has for the Center,” he said. “So, our overall site picture is to make sure that all we do in MA fits well within that mission.”

Calling people the most important resource, the colonel said from day one they instill in the work force a sense of belonging.

“In our MA new employee briefing one of the things we always tell our people is that we would like MA to be the kind of organization where it’s

a delight for them to come to work, and a good place to grow,” he said.

One example of how MA plans develop that growth is by offering leadership courses to all supervisors over the next year.

“It’s something we have needed in civil service for a while, and now we are doing something about it,” said the deputy director. “Those courses are almost fully developed, and we will begin the classes very soon.”

The voluntary leadership development program, which recently graduated its second class offers future leaders a chance to learn how to lead and the diversity training initiative developed at the Center are other examples.

The Directorate is also looking to reduce lost time and

reportable injuries.

“We want to reduce the numbers by 50 percent over the next year,” he said. “Safety is a huge effort, and we want to make sure we are focused on it.”

To help achieve those goals, an ergonomic study is taking place to find out what category of injuries can be improved by changing the work environment or surrounding equipment. The study should take three to four months to complete.

Alongside a myriad of reduction goals come some noteworthy production goals too. One is 95 in ‘05 -- a 95 percent due date delivery promise on its aircraft. In the avionics repair facility 95 in ‘05 means reducing the backlog of components they need to get fixed.

The Directorate also plans to reduce flow time in some of the component flow areas by 20 percent. “That means we must become more productive with the people we have and be able to push the items through in a more efficient way,” said the colonel.

The Software Production Division has an even bigger goal to achieve -- a one hundred percent on time or early delivery rate for software products.

“Our people in the software engineering division are all over there quietly doing excellent work,” he said. “Now that’s a stretch goal for you. 100 percent means they can’t miss even one delivery of their software products. That’s tough. But we think they can do it, and we are going to ask them.”

Services Veteran’s Day Hours

Services facilities OPEN:

Bowling Center, open Thursday from 1- 6 p.m.
Enlisted Club, open Thursday at 5 p.m.
Fitness Center, open Thursday from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Golf Course, open Thursday from 7 a.m. - dusk
Lodging, normal hours of operation
Wynn Dining Facility, open Thursday

Services facilities CLOSED:

Aero Club, administration and sales closed Thursday
Arts & Crafts Center, closed Thursday
Auto Skills Center, closed Thursday
Base Library, closed Thursday
Base Restaurant, closed Thursday
CDC East & West, closed Thursday
Civilian Recreation, office closed Thursday
Family Child Care, closed Thursday
Flight Line Dining Facility, closed

Thursday (fast food), flight line kitchen remains open
Food Service office, closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 12
Honor Guard/Mortuary Affairs/Readiness, closed Thursday
Human Resource office, closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 12
Information, Tickets and Travel, closed Thursday
Marketing, closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 12
Nature Center, closed Thursday
Officers' Club, closed Thursday
Pizza Depot, closed Wednesday and Thursday
Rental Center, closed Thursday
Resource Management office/NAF, closed Thursday
Robins Japanese Grill, closed Thursday
Skeet Range, closed Thursday
Smith Community Center, closed Thursday
Teen Center, closed Thursday
Vet services, closed Thursday
Wood Shop, closed Thursday
Youth Center, closed Thursday

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Health fairs help workers keep health flying right

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Flight line workers took a short break from their jobs Oct. 29 to learn how they could better their overall health.

About 500 employees turned out for the event that drew about 30 Middle Georgia health organizations and six base agencies to Building 110 for the Maintenance Directorate's annual Flight Line Health Fair.

Jeanie Armstrong, management analyst with the Maintenance Directorate who coordinated the fair along with other MA Directorate organizations, said the fair is a great way for workers to get valuable information about their health.

"I think it's an excellent opportunity for somebody to be able to find out about some health issues that they don't realize they have," she said. "We've had a lot of good response so far."

Steve Joiner, a sheet metal mechanic with the Maintenance Directorate's Industrial Product Division,

was one of many who made time for his health.

"Coming out here is a good way to find out if something is wrong with you instead of letting it just sneak up on you," he said. "It's worth taking the time find out if something is wrong."

Bo Player, an avionics technician with the MA Directorate's Avionics Division, said the event made keeping a check on his health much easier.

"I've been getting my blood pressure checked and a few other things because it's been a while since I've had this kind of check up," he said. "I'm glad they came out because it makes it easier for me to get checked."

Beverly Sinclair, health educator for the Sickel Cell Foundation of Georgia, said the health fair offers employees a chance to get a wealth of information on how to live a better lifestyle.

"I think it's important to come to these types of events because of the opportunity to participate in the different screenings they have," she said. "They check your blood



U.S. Air Force photo by Sue Sapp

Jimmy King, left, picks up Blue Cross Blue Shield pamphlets from Gail Reddoch, an open season representative, at the Base Restaurant Tuesday.

pressure, your cholesterol, and we're doing the sickle cell screening. A lot of times people won't go to the doctor because of the cost involved. But here, a lot of times, you get these screenings offered for free. Sometimes, just by doing a screening, you can detect a problem that could save your life later on."

Representatives from federal health plans were available at a

different kind of health fair at the Base Restaurant Monday and Tuesday armed with 2005 updates on coverage and information on the various plans.

The Federal Employees Health Benefits program and Flexible Spending Account open season begins Tuesday and goes through Dec. 13.

For more information, visit www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dpc/BEST/menu.htm.

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Robins celebrates retired military members

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Base agencies and community organizations pulled together their resources Saturday to serve the needs of veterans at Robins' Retired Military Appreciation Day.

The four-hour event, sponsored by the Base Hospital, 78th Security Forces Squadron, the Military Personnel Flight and other base agencies, offered nearly 300 retired military members blood pressure and glaucoma screenings and the opportunity to meet with area organizations that serve the retired military community.

First Lt. Sharon Ehasz, chief of customer support for the Military Personnel Flight and co-chairperson for the event, said she was pleased with the turnout.

"Going into this day, Doug Jones (co-chairperson for the event) and I have had the feeling that if we could help one retiree, then the day was a success," she said. "Hopefully, there's at least one retiree out there that has felt like we've helped him or her."

Donald Meck, a retired major who left active duty service in 1967, was one of many who took part in the day's activities.

"They have some really good information out here that's geared toward people in my age bracket," he said. "I got a



U.S. Air Force photo by Ray Crayton

Retirees who attended the Retired Military Appreciation Day Saturday were offered free blood pressure and glucose screenings.

chance to get my blood pressure checked and rejoined the (Veterans of Foreign Wars). I really appreciate what they've done for us today."

About 30 organizations were on hand to answer questions and show support for military retirees.

John Flood, director of the Services Division of the 78th Mission Support

Group, said he hopes the day served those who served our country so well in the past.

"You can never do enough to say thanks to the retirees, and this is just a small token of the base stepping forward and showing their gratitude for the folks who have given so much of their lives to the military."

MSG breaks ground on new facility

By Airman Paul R. Ross
116th Air Control Wing
Public Affairs

Brig. Gen. Tom Lynn, 116th Air Control Wing commander, met with representatives from Capitol Construction Company Oct. 26, to break ground on the new 116th Mission Support Group facility.

The \$6.1 million project will take about 18 months to complete. Members of the group currently using other buildings and facilities here, will call the new headquarters home.

The facility is going to relocate many of the functions (of the 116th MSG) including, contracting, command support staff, security forces, finance, mission support, the base office for recruiting, the judge advocate and military equal opportunities, which are spread out all over the base and put them under one roof,



The new 116th Mission Support Group facility, as shown in this graphic illustration, is a \$6.1 million project that is slated to be completed in 2006.

General Lynn said. "It (the new MSG facility) will locate the support function with the customers in the JSTARS area," said Col. Bob Doehling, 116th MSG commander.

The groundbreaking is a culmination of an eight-year project that began when the 116th ACW moved from Atlanta to Robins and merged

with the 93rd Air Control Wing. The first part of the project was providing facilities for the operations and maintenance squadrons that totaled about \$76 million, according to the general.

The new facility will add value to Robins Air Force Base facility network and the people who work here, said General Lynn.

DoD schools launch customer-satisfaction survey

WASHINGTON – Department of Defense Education Activity officials launched the 2004 customer-satisfaction survey Monday.

The survey is open to all 4th- to 12th-grade education activity students, their parents or sponsors, and teachers. The survey is designed to gather feedback from these groups regarding their views on the schools, programs and activities, according to an education activity news release. The survey is available online until Feb. 28. Print versions of the survey also are available at any activity school.

"The findings of the survey will be given con-

sideration in all future efforts to improve upon the educational experience that (DoD schools in the United States and overseas) provide," the release stated.

Officials said the survey is anonymous and should take 10 to 20 minutes to complete.

The findings, including the participation rates of eligible groups, will be published in the spring. Results of the previous survey, conducted during the 2002-2003 school year, can be found at www.dodea.edu.

– Air Force Print News

Land Mobile Radio narrowband migration complete

The Land Mobile Radio narrowband trunking was successfully completed at Robins.

All LMRs now have the Base Disaster Preparedness Talkgroup as their first channel. This talkgroup is to report and work issues concerning emergencies and contingencies on base. When a user changes to Channel 1, it allows them to

communicate with an agency they normally don't have access to when operating within their assigned Talkgroup. Please note the BaseDP channel is for emergencies only and should not be used otherwise. This talkgroup is monitored by the PWCS office, the fire department and the security forces consoles.

If you were using Channel 1 prior to the narrowband migration, then your channel has moved to Channel 2.

If you have questions, call the 78th Communications Squadron's LMR section at 926-0066.

– 78th Communications Squadron

I am having problems with a civilian pharmacy, where do I go for help?

As of June 1, there is a new pharmacy contractor, Express Scripts. If you need assistance, call 1-866-363-8799 or visit www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE.

I don't like using the 1-800 line. Is there another way I can get information about referrals?

Humana Military Healthcare Services is the contractor for TRICARE South. HMHS has referral information and more at www.Humana-Military.com, click online Beneficiary services, and click sign up for secured services. You will be sent a password in the mail to access information. You can also come to the TRICARE service center in Building 700, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. for walk in assistance.

Do I need to call my primary care manager before I see a specialist?

Yes. The only time you do not need to call your PCM is in the event of a life threatening emergency. The



78th Medical Group PCMs can be reached at 327-7850. Failure to call your PCM could result in higher out of pocket expenses.

What is point of service?

POS is a benefit offered by the Defense Department. POS is when a prime beneficiary chooses to see a doctor or specialist without having prior authorization by the PCM. For example: You have been seeing a dermatologist on a routine basis. Your referral expires in June. You were busy and made your next appointment in August. You have just decided to use your POS benefit. Any charges associated with that visit are your responsibility. The DoD policy says that after an individual deductible of \$300 or family deductible of \$600 TRICARE will pay 50 percent of TRICARE allowed charges.

– 78th Medical Group

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PK celebrates successful fiscal year

By Lanorris Askew
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People in Robins’ Contracting community put away the paper, pens and calculators for a few hours Oct. 29 during the annual PK Picnic and Awards ceremony.

This year’s celebration, held at Gator Park, allowed PK management to show their appreciation for the employees’ hard work making fiscal 2004 a success.

“We’re here to celebrate your accomplishments,” Patsy Reeves, director of contracting, told the festive crowd. “The whole reason for this event is for management to say in a very tangible way - thank you. Thank you for your hard work, your dedication and for your perseverance and patience with the nonstop demands that are placed on you.”

The picnic began with what was called the “Summer Games.” Events included a pumpkin carving competition, a dessert making contest and a “get to know you” scavenger hunt where the PK employees were able to mingle with those they don’t see very often.

After the games were over and stomachs were filled, Mrs. Reeves offered words of encouragement and respect.

“I’m very proud of our contracting folks,” she said. “Even in an era of diminished resources, Robins’ contracting personnel proved we can give outstanding support to our war fighters worldwide in a timely and efficient manner.”

Reading from a list of accomplish-



U.S. Air Force photo by Lanorris Askew

ments, Mrs. Reeves detailed the record breaking corporate contract with Rockwell Collins that put the directorate over the top.

The Rockwell Corporate Contract, the largest contract awarded in the history of the Center, covers the purchase of virtually every component or service Rockwell Collins provides to the Air Force, while lowering costs, enhancing proficiency and improving war fighter support.

“The total dollars obligated last year hit 3.86 billion, the largest in Warner Robins history, and that was 6 percent higher than last fiscal year,” she said.

Following the reading of PK accomplishments Mrs. Reeves and Col. Dennis Beers, Contracting Directorate deputy

director, handed out plaques to teams and individuals who were nominated for AFMC annual contracting awards for outstanding contributions to the command.

Each year the command recognizes its outstanding performers with the AFMC Annual Contracting Awards. This year, Robins contracting has nominations in 16 categories.

Ten different AFMC organizations participate, including all three air logistics centers as well as the product and test centers. Altogether, the AFMC Contracting awards encompass 40 award categories and about 200 nominations. The winners of the AFMC awards go on to compete at the Air Force level.

People from the Contracting Directorate attend their annual picnic to celebrate the successes of the fiscal year, which included the Rockwell Corporate Contract, the largest contract awarded in the history of the Center.

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Upgraded PA system lends ‘voice’ to safety

By 2nd Lt. James Rubstello
78th Communication Squadron

Joint efforts among the 778th Civil Engineering Squadron, the 78th Communication Squadron, the 78th Contracting Squadron and contractors from Federal Signal Corp. have led to the near completion of the Mass Notification System at Robins.

The system, called the Giant Voice, is similar to external public address systems used on other installations, with a few technological improvements. The system consists of 11 outdoor loudspeakers and nearly two dozen buildings wired with internal public address systems.

The outdoor speakers are arranged to provide maximum base coverage, from Warrior Air Base to the flight line. The installation of internal systems is an on-going process, based largely on population density. Loudspeakers and public address systems can be activated base-wide, in zones or one at a time. In the event of a power failure, each loudspeaker can operate several days on battery back-up.

In addition to replacing the aging weather warning siren, the new system will provide base leadership with the ability to make voice announcements or play prerecorded music files and audible alerts.

Notifying personnel quickly and efficiently of changing security levels, increased threats in the local area or evacuation instructions is critical to the safety of Robins personnel and property.

The system is scheduled to become operational in mid-November. Once completed, the system will contribute to the safety of all personnel living and working at Robins.

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Air Force leaders send Veterans Day message

WASHINGTON – The following is a Veterans Day message from Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper:

“Each year, America honors its veterans for the sacrifices and hard-fought successes of so many of its citizens – those who have worn the uniform as Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Coast Guardsmen and Marines.

“The original Armistice Day recognized the cease-fire signed by Germany and the Allied powers on Nov. 11, 1918. This concluded the hostilities of World War I, known as the “War to end all wars.” Over two million service members of the American Expeditionary Force fought bravely on and over the battlefields of Europe.

“Today, our expeditionary Air Force continues the fight in defense of freedom around the world against a resilient enemy who opposes our way of life.

“Since those challenging days at the dawn of the 20th Century to the awakening hours of the 21st Century, we have witnessed major wars and countless conflicts. One constant has remained: the commitment of those who served and continue to serve our nation in forever challenging times – our veterans. We honor their memory for what they have done to keep America and the world safe.

“To our Airmen who continue the fight against those who have made America their target, we salute you. We thank you and your families for your constant vigil and your continuing sacrifices. May God bless you and the United States of America.”

Practicing healthy habits key to preventing flu, colds

By Col. Richard G. Griffith
78th Medical Group commander

As you probably know by now there will be a shortage of flu vaccine this season for circumstances beyond our control. For this reason, we are asking for everyone’s cooperation in making this flu season a short and uneventful one.

Illnesses like the flu and colds are caused by viruses that infect the nose, throat and lungs. The disease is usually spread from person to person when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It can also be spread by touching objects an infected person touched without washing their hands.

Common symptoms of the flu include fever (usually high), headache, extreme tiredness, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose and muscle aches. Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea can also occur, but are much more common among children than adults.

There are many common sense ways we can help prevent the spread of viruses like the flu such as:


- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose or mouth.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
- Stay home when you are sick. If possible, stay home from work and school when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
- Wash your hands often. Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. When available, wash your hands with soap and warm water for 15 to 20 seconds, rubbing your hands vigorously together scrubbing all surfaces. It is the soap combined with the scrubbing action that helps dislodge and remove germs. When soap and water are not available, alcohol-based disposable hand wipes or gel sanitizers may be used. You can find them in most supermarkets and drugstores. If using a gel, rub the gel in your hands until they are dry.

Practice other good health habits. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids and eat nutritious food. Practicing healthy habits will help you stay healthy during flu season and all year long.

Commander's Action Line

Col. Greg Patterson

Commander,
78th Air Base Wing



Action Line is an open door program for Robins Air Force Base personnel to ask questions, make suggestions or give kudos to make Robins a better place to work and live.

Please remember that the most efficient and effective way to resolve a problem or complaint is to directly contact the organization responsible. This gives the organization a chance to help you, as well as a chance to improve their processes.

To contact the Action Line, call 926-2886 day or night, or for quickest response e-mail to one of the following addresses: If sending from a military e-mail system select, Robins Commanders Action Line from the Global Address List. If sending from a commercial e-mail account (AOL, AT+T, CompuServe, Earthlink, etc.), use action.line@robins.af.mil.

Readers can also access Action Line by visiting the Robins AFB homepage at <https://www.mil.robins.af.mil/actionline.htm>. Please include your name and a way of reaching you so we can provide a direct response.

Action Line items of general interest to the Robins community will be printed in the Rev-Up. Anonymous Action Lines will not be processed.

Security Forces.....	327-3445
Services Division.....	926-5491
EEO Office.....	926-2131
MEO.....	926-6608
Employee Relations...	926-5802
Military Pay.....	926-3777
IDEA.....	926-2536
Base hospital.....	327-7850
Civil engineering.....	926-5657
Public Affairs.....	926-2137
Safety Office.....	926-6271
Fraud, Waste and Abuse hotline.....	926-2393
Housing Office.....	926-3776

Russell Parkway extension

Have you given thought to the increase in traffic due to the completion of the Russell Parkway extension later this fall? When the road is finally completed I’m sure there will be a significant increase in traffic which will affect the time required to enter the base in the mornings, possibly even reducing the amount of traffic on Watson and Green street. I know security forces are already doing a “maximum” effort, but I just wanted to hear your thoughts.

Commander’s reply: Thank you for your concern about the traffic issues at Gate 14. According to the Georgia Department of Transportation the extension of Russell Parkway to Interstate 75 will not impact existing traffic volumes at the gate. The Russell Parkway extension is considered too far west of Gate 14 to cause a significant increase in its traffic volumes. The additional traffic on Russell Parkway, created by the extension to Interstate 75, will dissipate to insignificant levels before reaching Gate 14. In addition, construction has begun on the new main gate near Watson Boulevard. Once construction has been completed, the time it takes to enter the base should decrease, and vehicles currently using other gates may choose to use the new main gate.

White flies

The base has white flies that have taken over the shrubs and trees near every building. The plants are so infested you cannot walk past them without them swarming all over you and attaching themselves to you so you end up carrying them in the buildings with you.

Commander’s reply: Like aphids and scales, whiteflies

prefer to feed on the juices of certain types of flowering shrubs and citrus trees but rarely cause serious damage to plants. They pose no hazard to people, but swarming adult whiteflies can certainly be a nuisance. Large-scale control of them is impractical because they cover such an extensive area of the base. And, because they produce multiple generations per year, control requires frequent pesticide treatments - a procedure that can be inappropriate in areas that are heavily frequented by people.

Additionally, extensive use of pesticides on shrubs and trees also kills beneficial insects which pollinate those plants and prey on the whiteflies and other nuisance insect species. The good news is that cool weather stops whitefly reproduction, so the swarms are already beginning to disappear. The use of sticky traps and insecticidal soaps is also an effective, and safer, control procedure.

If you find that whitefly swarms do not diminish near your building as the weather cools, the base entomology shop staff, who can be reached at 926-2082, or the Environmental Management Directorate, who can be reached at 926-1197 extension 119, can inspect the problem and identify the most appropriate control technique.

Problems at gas station

I would like to make a suggestion. I tried to get gas recently using one of the credit card pumps at the AAFES service station. I’m the spouse of a retired military member and authorized to use it. Pump 13 was not printing receipts, and you had to go to the cashier to get one, which defeats the purpose of using a credit card. This has been the case for the last two weeks. Another pump for credit cards only would not read or register my credit card. This is frustrating for the customer.

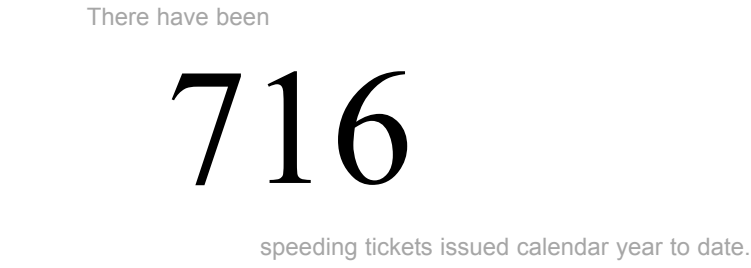
I would like to suggest that in the morning before opening the station, the cashier should check all the pumps, especially credit card only pumps, to make sure they are operational and will read credit cards. If customers report a problem with a pump, the cashier should check that pump again. If it is slow, the pumps could be checked once in the middle of the day. Not all customers who use the AAFES service station have all the time in the world to pump gas and go in for a receipt, or go in and report a problem and wait for the cashier to check the pump. I think with this suggestion, both the customers and cashier could benefit.

Commander’s reply: Thank you for your comment concerning the Exchange Service Station. On behalf of AAFES I apologize for both incidents and rest assured that additional training has been conducted regarding our credit card readers and receipt operations. We’re always pleased to hear from our customers and rely on you as a customer to bring such incidents to our attention so that we can take action and promote the high level of customer service you deserve.

At the time of your visit, we had several dispensers that were in need of repair. A repair order was already scheduled for the credit card readers and was completed mid-afternoon Sept. 21. The fuel dispensers, credit card readers with receipts, fuel handles and hoses are checked twice daily; at the beginning and end of each shift. The credit card readers are checked more often when warranted.

Once again, thanks for bringing both incidents to our attention so that we can further promote a win-win situation with our military customers and continue to provide optimum customer service. Please feel free to contact Michael Deelhake at 922-2927 or the facility manager or supervisor on duty at the facility for immediate action should you experience similar problems in the future.

Remember to slow down



How the points add up

Accumulating 12 traffic violation points within a year may cause drivers to lose base driving privileges for up to 6 months. Speeding violation points are based on the number of miles over the posted speed limit.	10 miles = 3 points
	11 - 15 miles = 4 points
	16 - 20 miles = 5 points
	21+ miles = 6 points

Source: AFI 31-204



Airmen Against Drunk Drivers is a 24-hour-service that provides rides to those who have consumed alcohol and need transportation home. The program is run by volunteers from across base, and those who use the service aren’t subject to adverse action.

To request a ride, call: 335-5218, 335-5238 and 335-5236.

Robins DUI tracker

Robins has adopted a zero tolerance policy for drinking and driving. In addition to an incentive for no DUIs and putting up signs to keep the message in drivers’ minds as they leave the base, the Rev-Up will run weekly numbers of DUIs.



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Returning the favor



U.S. Air Force photos by Sue Sapp

The 91st Air Refueling Squadron from MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., are operating from Robins during their runway construction. A KC-135 sits on Robins' flightline Wednesday afternoon.

Robins hosts MacDill aircraft during base's runway construction

By Holly L. Birchfield
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An ongoing runway construction project at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., is giving Robins the chance to return a favor given to their troops not so long ago.

The 19th Air Refueling Group and other units at Robins are making the base an operational home away from home for hundreds of troops and several aircraft that arrived from MacDill recently, as crews wait for the reopening of their airfield later this month.

Lt. Col. Nicholas Myers, 19th Operations Support Squadron commander, said the Black Knights and others here are doing their best to help the 6th Air Mobility Wing keep their mission flying.

"When our runway closed (earlier this year), we went down to MacDill, and they



Capt. Joel Rivard, 91st Air Refueling Squadron, right, talks over plans for their mission with crew members.

hosted us when we were in this similar situation," he said. "Since MacDill did such an outstanding job of supporting Robins during our runway construction, Robins made it a priority to return the favor."

While preparing to host MacDill troops and resources was no small task, 1st Lt. Nicklaus Goff, base reception manager with the 78th Logistics Readiness Squadron, said troops from Robins and MacDill met the challenge together.

"It was a very large coordinated effort among the 19th Air Refueling Group and units from the 78th Air Base Wing, as well as our counterparts at MacDill," he said. "As with

any project like this, there will be snags, but the professionalism and dedication of all involved has ultimately allowed MacDill to bring troops here and ensure their mission can continue successfully."

And Maj. Jason Wood, 6th AMW detachment commander, and his troops are grateful.

"We've been able to rather seamlessly continue the missions that MacDill was previously tasked for and continue our training," he said. "We've been supported in the most outstanding manner by Robins and especially by the 19th Air Refueling Group. Robins has been truly outstanding in their support of helping us get plugged in and set up."



Maj. Jason Wood, 6th Air Mobility Wing detachment commander, says Robins' hospitality has allowed MacDill troops to continue their mission and training.



Tech. Sgt. Jeff Toellner, 78th Security Forces Squadron, directs traffic through the gate near the 19th Air Refueling Group Alert Facility where MacDill planes are being parked.

Civilian contractors work to replace the pier runway in Hillsborough Bay at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., Oct. 27. The \$2.1 million project is expected to be completed in February.

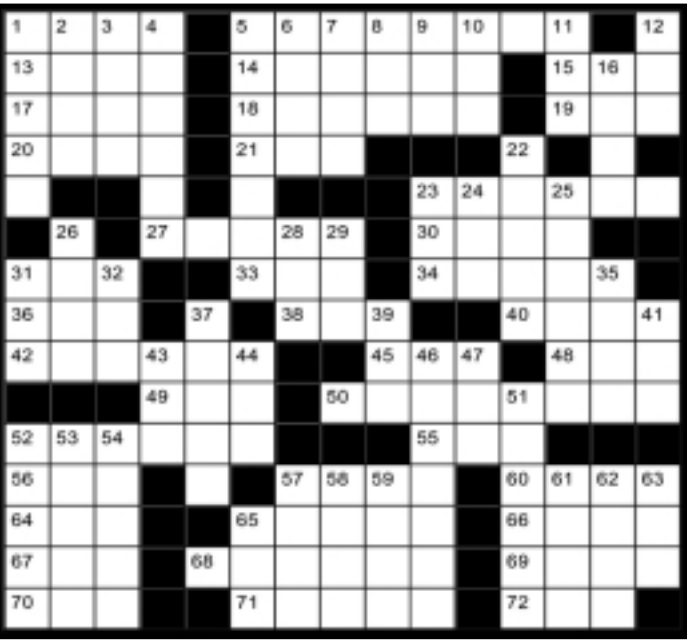


U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Jason Robertson

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19th Operations Support Squadron commander

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Native American History Month

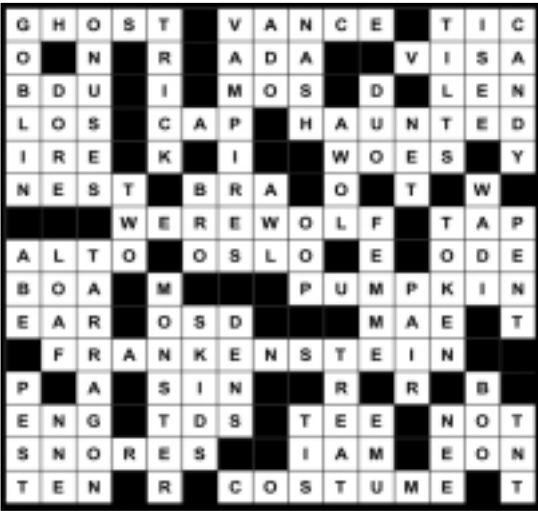
By 1st Lt. Tony Wickman
Alaskan Command Public Affairs

- ACROSS**
- 1. Navajo Indians performed this talking during WWII
 - 5. Ben Nighthorse ____; Native American senator
 - 13. Fibber
 - 14. Disney's ____ & Company
 - 15. Army commissioning source
 - 17. ____ mater
 - 18. Textile dealer
 - 19. Draft
 - 20. Barley and buckwheat
 - 21. A Stooge
 - 23. Native American tribe of Southwest
 - 27. Mars
 - 30. Site of a leaning tower?
 - 31. Commotion
 - 33. Morgue status, in brief?
 - 34. Kingdom
 - 36. Body of water
 - 38. Flightless bird
 - 40. in ____ of; instead of
 - 42. Chickasaw awarded Medal of Honor for action in Korean War
 - 45. Mai ____ drink
 - 48. Fox rival
 - 49. Anger
 - 50. Winnebago awarded Medal of Honor for action in Korea
 - 52. ____ corpus
 - 55. Fed. organization concerned with drug trade
 - 56. Pie ____ mode (2 words)
 - 57. Columbian river
 - 60. Part of a ship
 - 64. Desire
 - 65. Agenda
 - 66. Gumbo need?
 - 67. Before, in the old days
 - 68. ____ Childers; Native American awarded Medal of Honor – WWII
 - 69. Earl Grey and green
 - 70. Space shuttle, in brief
 - 71. Irish poet

- DOWN**
- 72. Jingles
 - 1. First Native American to graduate from Naval Academy
 - 2. Greasy
 - 3. Lady
 - 4. Deleted
 - 5. Direct, as in troops
 - 6. A summer sign?
 - 7. Swampy land
 - 8. Plumbing pipe, in short
 - 9. Something in a bonnet?
 - 10. Mistake
 - 11. Group
 - 12. Cleopatra killer?
 - 16. Moolah
 - 22. A type of passage?
 - 23. Spring mon.
 - 24. Dessert
 - 25. Type of cat?
 - 26. Thought
 - 28. Part of a foot
 - 29. Penn movie, "I Am ____"
 - 31. Burn residue
 - 32. Rowing need?
 - 35. Restaurant list
 - 37. Beastly
 - 39. Native American tribe of Southwest
 - 41. German conjunction?
 - 43. Compete
 - 44. Vote in favor
 - 46. Abusers
 - 47. Beverage need?
 - 51. Native American tribe of Plains
 - 52. Pima Indian who raised flag over Mt. Surabachi
 - 53. Warn
 - 54. Ruins
 - 57. Cylinder
 - 58. What the princess had in her mattress?
 - 59. Lean, like on ship
 - 61. ____ a living; got by
 - 62. Epochs
 - 63. ____ Vegas
 - 65. Attempt

For puzzle solution, see Nov. 12 edition of the Rev-Up

Puzzle solution for Oct. 29



Eisenhower’s granddaughter to speak at luncheon Tuesday

Susan Eisenhower, granddaughter of former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, will be the guest speaker at the Museum of Aviation Foundation eighth annual Middle Georgia Luncheon Tuesday.

The luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. in the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar. Ms. Eisenhower will speak on the topic of her recently released book “Partners in Space: U.S.-Russian Cooperation after the Cold War.”

An author, consultant and foreign policy expert, Ms. Eisenhower is best known for her work in Russia and the former Soviet Union. Over the years, Ms. Eisenhower has testified before the Senate Armed Services and Senate Budget

Committees on policy toward that region. She has also been appointed to the National Academy of Sciences’ standing Committee on International Security and Arms Control where she is now serving a fourth term. She has also served as an Academic Fellow of the International Peace and Security program of Carnegie Corporation of New York, and is a director of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and the Nuclear Threat Initiative.

Tickets to the Middle Georgia Luncheon are \$25 per person. To reserve a seat, contact Mary Lynn Harrison at 923-6600 or marylynn.harrison@museumofaviation.org.



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– From staff reports

SERVICES BRIEFS

Base Restaurant

The base restaurant will offer a customer appreciation Thanksgiving meal Nov. 18 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Dine at the main restaurant or purchase a meal at one of the snack bars or mobile trucks. Meal includes turkey, cornbread dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, giblet gravy, roll and cranberry sauce for \$2.50.

A carry-out special is available, which includes a 15-pound turkey, 8 pounds of cornbread dressing, half-pan of mashed potatoes, half-pan of green beans, one quart of giblet gravy and one quart of cranberry sauce for \$45.95. Orders will be taken through Nov. 19. Final day for pick-up is Nov. 24 by 3 p.m. To place an order or for more information, call 926-3031 or 926-6972.

Customer Feedback Survey

The annual Air Force Customer Feedback Survey will be delivered soon. The survey is used to measure customer satisfaction, quality of service, quality of facilities, quality of equipment and materials, value for price paid, and an overall assessment of at least 20 of the division’s major programs. For more information, call Services Marketing at 926-5492.

Enlisted Club

The club will sponsor a trip to Atlanta for the Falcons versus Tampa Bay Buccaneers football game Nov. 14. Cost is \$35 and includes ticket, transportation, complimentary beverages and food. For more information, call 926-4515.

Information, Tickets and Travel

Get a free CD case with the purchase of an Atlanta Hawks basketball ticket at ITT. Tickets cost \$35. Take a trip with ITT to watch the Hawks versus the Cleveland Cavaliers at the Philips Arena Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$55 per person. Transportation will depart the community center at 4 p.m. For more information, call 926-2945.

Join ITT on a one-day holiday shopping trip to the North Georgia Premium

Outlets in Dawsonville, Ga., Dec. 4.

The outlet features 140 stores in an outdoor village setting. Cost is \$30 for Robins Officers’ and Enlisted club members when they show their Members First Plus club card and \$35 for non-club members. This package will include a complimentary continental breakfast. The bus will depart from the parking lot across from the Smith Community Center at 8 a.m. and will depart from the mall at 7 p.m. A minimum of 25 people must sign up by Dec. 3 at ITT. For more information, please call 926-2945.

Officers’ Club

The evening dining room hours have changed to 5 - 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays to offer early bird dining special from 5 - 6 p.m. on those days.

A Members First Plus membership night dinner will be held Wednesday from 5 - 8 p.m. Cost is free to members, guests \$8.95.

Boss N’ Buddy Night will be held at the Wellston Nov. 17 at 5 p.m.

Smith Community Center

The community center will be taking appointments for holiday photos by Teddy Bear Portraits Nov. 12. Sessions will begin at 4 p.m. There is a limit of two sittings per family with no limit to the number of people in a portrait. There is no sitting charge and portraits will be ready in time for Christmas.

Youth Center

The 4-H meetings begin Tuesday and will be held the second Monday of each month from 3 - 4 p.m. for boys and girls ages 9 - 13. Youth center membership is not a requirement to attend the meetings.

Want to give your Combined Federal Campaign gift to a local organization that invests in the future? If your answer is yes, give to the Robins Youth Center, code #9029. CFC campaign ends Nov. 17.

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Adult tickets are \$3.50; children (11 years old and younger) tickets are \$2. For more information, call the Base Theater at 926-2919.

Today 7:30 p.m. – Resident Evil: Apocalypse – Milla Jovovich and Jared Harris

Alice, the only surviving member of the elite military force that attempted to keep the zombies confined to the underground facility, finds herself teaming up with Jill Valentine and others to stop the zombies from spreading outside of Raccoon City, which has been all but obliterated by the creatures. To make matters worse, there is a creature named Nemesis hunting them.

Rated R (non-stop violence, language and some nudity) 94 minutes

Saturday 7:30 p.m. – The Forgotten – Julianne Moore and Dominic West

Telly is tormented by the memory of her 8-year-old son's death in a plane crash 14 months ago. While trying to work through her grief, she is informed by her psychiatrist, that she is suffering from delusions, her son never existed and she is fabricating his memories. She's convinced she's going mad until she meets another patient, Ash, with the same situation. Together, they embark on a search to prove the existence of their children and reclaim their sanity.

Rated PG-13(intense thematic material, some violence and brief language) 91 minutest

COMING SOON:

Nov. 12
Raise Your Voice – Hilary Duff and Oliver James – Rated PG-13

Nov. 13
First Daughter – Katie Holmes and Marc Blucas – Rated PG
Ladder 49 – Joaquin Phoenix and John Travolta – Rated PG-13

Nov. 19
Shark Tale – animated – Rated PG

Nov. 20
Friday Night Lights – Billy Bob Thornton and Derek Luke – Rated PG-13



CHAPEL SERVICES

Catholic Masses are celebrated at the chapel each Saturday at 5:30 p.m., Sunday at 9:30 a.m., on Holy Days of Obligation at noon and at a 5 p.m. vigil the day before, and Monday through Friday at noon. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is on Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Protestant General Services take place every Sunday at 11 a.m. This service includes some traditional and contemporary worship styles in music and in format. **Protestant Inspirational Services** take place every Sunday at 8 a.m. **Protestant Contemporary Services** take place 11 a.m. each Sunday at the Base Theater. This service is very informal, with a praise team assisting in singing and includes both traditional and contemporary styles of music and worship.

Jewish service time is each Friday at 6:15 p.m. at the Macon synagogue.

Islamic Friday Prayer (Jumua) is Fridays at 2 p.m. in the chapel annex Rooms 1 and 2.

The chapel helps with spiritual needs that arise. For further information, call the chapel at 926-2821.

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

Family Support Center sponsored classes, workshops, and seminars are open to all Team Robins personnel. For more information, or to make a reservation, call 926-1256.

Federal job class

The next “How to Apply for a Federal Job” workshop will be Tuesday, 9-11 a.m., Building 905, room 246. The workshop educates personnel about the variety of federal jobs, the qualifications and the classification process, and the steps involved in applying for these jobs.

Smooth move

The next smooth move workshop will be Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.- noon., in Building 905, Room 159.

Center closed

The FSC and Family Services loan closet and Airman’s Attic will be closed Thursday, in observance of Veterans’ Day. Normal services will resume Friday at 7:30 a.m.

Volunteer resource program

The FSC will offer an informal presentation on volunteer opportunities both on base and in the local community, Nov. 16, 2 - 3:30 p.m., Building 945, FSC annex.

Community tour

The FSC community tour for all Team Robins members and their eligible family members will be Nov. 17, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Meet at the FSC. The tour includes some of Macon’s downtown and historic districts, a visit to the Ocmulgee Indian Mounds, a trip through Fort Valley, and concludes with a visit to the County seat in Perry.

Resume and cover letter

Reservations are being accepted for a resume and cover letter workshop Nov. 17, 9 - 11 a.m., Building 945, FSC annex.

Bundles for babies & infant care

The Air Force Aid Society will conduct a Bundles for Babies & Infant Care class Nov. 17, 8 a.m. - noon, Building 827, (old base gym) HAWC classroom. The course is for all active duty Air Force families preparing for a new baby.

Sponsorship training

The FSC will offer training for both beginner and experienced sponsors Nov. 18, 2 - 3:30 p.m., Building 945, FSC annex. The training provides information on what types of information to send to the PCSing member and where to obtain it.

We want your news!

Call us at 926-2137. E-mail us at Robins.Revup@robins.af.mil. Fax us at 926-9597.

The week in photos

www.robins.af.mil/pa/revup-online/weekinphotos.htm

Spooky science



Courtesy photo

The Museum of Aviation Education Department concludes its two sessions of the Spooky Science After-School Workshops. Participants from left, second-grader Tyea Holloway and third-grader Augustina Espinosa, along with other participants, enjoy the "Hole in the Hand" experiment.

Black Knights learn about safety, earn prizes at Halloween Hazard Hunt

By Holly L. Birchfield
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Black Knights earned a few treats while learning the tricks of safety at the 19th Air Refueling Group’s Halloween Hazard Hunt Oct. 26.

Airmen went building to building at Robins, searching for envelopes containing safety-related questions and traded correct answers for prizes such as pen sets, key chains, coffee mugs, golf balls and road-side safety kits.

Winners of the group’s hunt include:

19th Operations Support Squadron

Charles Haskins - grand prize winner

Dave Dawson

Staff Sgt. Kimberly Hutchins

Staff Sgt. Jonathan Albrekisen

Tech. Sgt. Mark Yandell

Tech Sgt. Rita Torrejos-Holm

Master Sgt. Bruce Ballard

Tech. Sgt. Cesar Stephenson

19th Maintenance Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Steve Towe - grand prize winner

Staff Sgt. Anthony Widener

Staff Sgt. Josh Smith

Staff Sgt. Anthony Hodge

Staff Sgt. Robert VanderVoort

Senior Airman Jason Densenberry

19th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Mark Denney

Staff Sgt. Benjamin Washington

Master Sgt. Humberto Garza

19th Air Refueling Group

Master Sgt. Carmen Smith

Staff Sgt. Jeffry Wade

Staff Sgt. Robert Mackey

Tech. Sgt. Zach Cole

AF seeks applicants for IA scholarship program

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – The Air Force is offering qualified officers the opportunity to participate in the Information Assurance Scholarship Program, established to increase the number of qualified people entering the information assurance career field.

A board will convene Dec. 10 at the Air Force Personnel Center here to select officers for attendance at the Information Resources Management College, Navy Post Graduate School, or Air Force Institute of Technology.

The Defense Department program covers temporary duty cost, tuition, fees and books and varies in length from 18 to 24 months, depending on selected school.

The program provides students with the National Security Telecommunications and Information Systems Security Instruction 4011 cer-

tification.

Information on eligibility requirements, submitting applications and participating schools can be found at www.defenselink.mil/nii/iasp/.

All applications must arrive at AFPC no later than Nov. 19. Applicants should send completed applications to the following address: HQ AFPC/DPAPE, 550 C Street West, Ste 32, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4734.

ROBINS BULLETIN BOARD

To have an item listed in the bulletin board, send it to Angela Trunzo at angela.trunzo@robins.af.mil by 4 p.m. Monday prior to the Friday of intended publication.

Mentorship program

There will be a base mentorship program meeting at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Enlisted Club for those interested in becoming mentors who are E5 and above and mentees who are E1-E4. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Robyn Owens at 926-1621.

ASMC luncheon

The American Society of Military Comptrollers November luncheon will be 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Officers’ Club ballroom. Tickets are \$7 for members and \$8 for non-members. The featured speaker will be Kenny Kitchens, CPA, CFP, Nichols, Cauley Financial Services, LLC. To attend, R.S.V.P. with Kathy Piper at 327-1410, Amy Galeazzo at 222-0381 or Betty Enge at 926-5485.

78th Comptroller Squadron

The finance customer service window hours will change Nov. 14 to 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, contact Annette Hankins at 926-4022 extension 102.

Quarterly Awards Ceremony

Maj. Gen. Mike Collings, Center commander, will host the Team Robins Quarterly Awards Ceremony Nov. 15 at 2 p.m. at the Museum of Aviation Century of Flight Hangar. Commanders, supervisors, family members and friends are encouraged to

attend. Come and join us in recognizing some of Robins’ finest performers. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Sharon Ward or Staff Sgt. Jessica Jackson at 926-0792.

The nominees:

Airman:

Senior Airman Shannon D. Alexander, 116th ACW, 116th LRS

Senior Airman Nicholas T. Henderson, 5th CCG, 52nd CBCS

Senior Airman Stephanie M. Johnson, 653rd CLSS

Senior Airman Samuel G. Kennedy, HQ AFRC

Airman Jessica E. Campos, 19th ARG, 19th AMXS

Airman Brandon G. Goins, 78th ABW, 78th MDG, 78th MDOS

Noncommissioned officer:

Tech. Sgt. Kameron S. Baskerville, 19th ARG, 19th AMXS

Tech. Sgt. Donald G. Bates, 5th CCG, 53rd CBCS

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Tech. Sgt. Steven Markowski, 653rd CLSS

Tech. Sgt. Russell A. Sims, 78th ABW, 78th MDG, 78th MDOS

Staff Sgt. Rachel J. Dukart, 116th ACW, 128th ACCS

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Master Sgt. Shawn A. Davies, 5th CCG, 52rd CBCS

Master Sgt. David S. Lee, 653rd CLSS

Master Sgt. Keith A. Stineman, 116th ACW, 116th

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Master Sgt. Leonard C. Williams, HQ AFRC

Company grade officer:

Capt. Bernabe F. Whitfield, WR-ALC/MA

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Capt. George S. Harrington, 78th ABW, 78th CES

1st Lt. John E. Fage, HQ AFRC/PA

1st Lt. Mark D. Fincher, 116th ACW, 116th CSS

2nd Lt. Adam G. Caldwell, 19th ARG, 19th OSS

OSC luncheon

The Officers’ Spouses Club Thanksgiving luncheon and meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 18 at the Officers’ Club. New members are welcome. There will be a variety of activities including a small holiday bazaar, silent auction and a speaker from the Salvation Army Safehouse. For more information about these activities, call Debbie Robertson at 923-3780. All reservations have to be made by noon Nov. 15. Members who have permanent reservations have to cancel by noon Nov. 15 or the member will be charged for the meal.

If your name begins with A-M, call Beth Huber at 922-6628 and if your name begins with N-Z, call Suzanne Cahill at 329-0489. E-mail reservations or cancellations can be made at BethOSC@mindspring.com.

CGOA meeting

The Robins Company Grade Officers Association will meet at 4 p.m. Nov. 18. Enjoy group community service activities and broaden or establish your network. For more information, call 2nd Lt. Niklaus Pleisch at 222-2320.

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Former POW speaks to 5th Mob



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Retired Army Col. Ben Purcell and his wife Anne spoke to members of the 5th Combat Communications Group at the Museum of Aviation Vistascope Theater Oct. 28 about their experiences. Mr. Purcell is a former Vietnam prisoner of war. In his five years of captivity, he was moved through three camps, escaped twice, held in solitary for 58 months and endured starvation and torture. Mrs. Purcell is one of the founders of the National League of POW/MIA Families. The couple signed copies of the book they wrote together, ‘Love & Duty.’

RETIREEES

End of October/first of November	Shirley T. Epps Edward L. Lancaster Ritter C. Leaptrot Patrick M. Morgan Francis M. Mungavin Alice B. Newsome	Woody T. Powell Jr. Richard W. Schulz Willard L. Selph Richard Siefert James B. Smith James S. Tomblin
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Renters should ensure their future

Base Fire Department

ernment quarters should consider renter’s insurance.

As fire prevention officers and investigators at Robins, employees with the base fire department have seen a considerable number of fires, and some servicemembers don’t have renter’s insurance.

Renter’s insurance covers the replacement of valued possessions. It can also cover liability costs for someone injured or property damage that may have occurred.

Anyone moving into gov-

ernment quarters should consider renter’s insurance.

One thing to look at when shopping for it is whether the insurance company will write the policy on the actual cash value or the replacement cost. Actual cash value will only pay for what property was worth at the time it was damaged or stolen.

Replacement cost will pay for the actual cost to replace the item.

To determine how much insurance is needed to cover

possessions, list personal property and the estimated value.

Work with an agent to determine the level of coverage you’re comfortable with.

The cost of renter’s insurance varies, but if you don’t need additional coverage, you will probably pay between \$150 and \$300 per year.

For more information about renter’s insurance, contact the Base Legal Office at 926-3961.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Bowling Center
Celebrate **Sadie Hawkins Day** Saturday at Robins Lanes. Women pay regular price and their dates bowl for half price during open bowling.
Veterans bowl for \$1 per game Thursday from 1 - 6 p.m.

Ice hockey
The Georgia Student Hockey League is looking for students in grades 9-12 for the ice hockey season, which runs now until the end of March. For more information, contact Kit Frey at 971-1934.

Thank-a-Vet Run
The Air Force Association Thank-a-Vet Run will be Nov. 13 at the Museum of Aviation. The run will begin at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration is \$15; on-site registration is \$20. For more information, visit www.cv-afa.org.

Youth Center
The Youth Center Jr. NBA and Jr. WNBA basketball registrations are Monday through Friday from 3 - 6 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Cost is \$60. A copy of birth certificate and current physical examination will be required. Dedicated basketball coaches are also needed. Call 926-2110 for details.

Golf Course
A **Glow Ball golf tournament** will be held Nov. 13, with a shotgun start at 3:30 p.m. Nine holes will be played during the day and nine holes at night. Cost is \$35 annual green fee members and \$40 for guests. Entry fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart fee, dinner and beverages plus glow ball equipment. Course is limited to 14 teams. Sign up now at the pro shop or call 926-4103.
Register now for **Link Up 2 Golf classes**. Cost is per person \$99. Class sessions will be held Monday, Thursday, Nov. 15, 18, 22 and 29 and Dec. 2 and 6 from 1 - 2:30 p.m.

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